

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN PERUVIAN AMAZONIA

## ECOTOURISM AND ADVENTURES HOLIDAYS

### MANU BIOSPHERE RESERVE

ECOTOURISM : Responsible travel to natural areas that conserves the environment.  
 Sustains the well being of locals    Involves education    Empowers locals    Minimum impact

MANU BIOSPHERE RESERVE and NATIONAL PARK ( 1.5m ha )  
 A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

- ★ Lodges, trails and learning centre.
- ★ Depends on the conservation of the rainforest and the biodiversity.
- ★ Protects ownership of the land and uses local labour for tour guides, cleaners, cooks and increasingly as managers.

- ★ Ecotourism is worth \$5 billion to Peru
- ★ Helps stop illegal mining eg Gold
- ★ Helps stop illegal logging



In the National Park and Biosphere the following are encouraged

1. AGROFORESTRY. Tree species are grown that add nutrients to the soil so that farmers don't have to move and increases productivity. Banana treasure grown within other forest trees this combines an income and conservation
2. BIO GARDENS adopt pest control and composting to increase yields and improve health. They also provide food for the ecotourism visitors
3. New crops like COPUATZU, a tree that maintains the forest but also provides a cash crop as seeds can be pulped for marmalade and beverages

